
ORDER OF WORSHIP

MUSICAL PRELUDE

GOD CALLS US INTO HIS HOLY PRESENCE *(Please stand)*

Minister: You will say in that day: "I will give thanks to You, O LORD, for though You were angry with me, Your anger turned away, that You might comfort me.

Congregation: "Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid; for the LORD GOD is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation."

Minister: With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.

Congregation: And you will say in that day: "Give thanks to the LORD, call upon His name, make known His deeds among the peoples, proclaim that His name is exalted.

Minister: "Sing praises to the LORD, for He has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth.

Congregation: Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel."

~ Isaiah 12:1-6

HYMN "God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen" # 211

Prayer of Adoration Chas Jaskulski, Ruling Elder

Minister: The peace of the Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Minister: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

Congregation: Who made heaven and earth!

GOD CLEANSSES US IN CHRIST *(Please be seated)*

Leader: Let us hear the exhortation of the Word of God regarding the righteous character of our new lives in Christ:

"Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep

with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight. Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all." ~Romans 12:9-18

Leader: In the light of God's complete knowledge of our thoughts, words, and actions, let us confess our sins:

Heavenly Father, Creator of all things, Ruler overall, and Author of all grace, mercy, and comfort; by Your Word and Holy Spirit, work true repentance in my soul. Melt my heart by Your majesty and mercy. Show me my ruined self and the salvation You have worked for me in Christ. Cause me to confide in Your power and love, to commit my soul to You without reserve, to bear Your image, observe Your laws, and pursue Your service. Enable me to abide in Christ; to depend upon Him, commune with Him, be conformed to Him, and follow Him. Forgive my sins in light of His cross and cleanse me from all unrighteousness. I pray in the name of Jesus, Amen.

Leader: Please take a moment to privately commune with our Lord.

Minister: People of God, lift up your heads and stand with me to hear the good news of our salvation: *(Please stand)*

Hebrews 10:11-14 "And every priest stands daily at his service, offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, waiting from that time until his enemies should be made a footstool for his feet. For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified."

Minister: Our sins are forgiven through the atoning work of Christ Jesus our Lord, the Lamb of God!"

Congregation: Praise be to God!

HYMN "Fullness of Grace" (see insert)

Confession of Faith: "The Apostles' Creed" # 845

GOD INSTRUCTS US

Old Testament Reading: Malachi 3:1-4; 4:1-6 (pg 1021)
Gospel Reading: Luke 1:57-80 (pg 1089)
Epistle Reading: Hebrews 13:8-16 (pg 1286)

Minister: The grass withers, the flower fades,

Congregation: But the word of our God stands forever!

BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN

Leader: People of God, what is our prayer for these children?

People: May the Lord be with you.

Children: And also with you!

Leader: May the Word of the Lord grow in your hearts.

Children: Thanks be to God.

People : Go in peace.

Sermon: "Our Sacrifice of Praise"

~ Pastor Dwight Dolby

GOD RECEIVES OUR PRAISE AND SEALS US IN CHRIST

HYMN "What Child Is This" # 213

Prayers of God's People/Tithes and Offerings / Doxology

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

Congregation: We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Congregation: It is right for us to give thanks.

Minister: It is truly fitting, and right, and our joyful duty, to at all times and in all places give thanks to the Lord our God. And so now, in the company of angels, arch-angels, and all the Heavenly hosts, we magnify and glorify His name together singing...

SANCTUS (see back)

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

HYMN "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks" # 223

GOD SENDS US FORTH TO SERVE

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL "For Thine is the Kingdom"

VISITORS: We are a local congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA). Be sure to pick up a visitor bag to learn more about us.

OUR WORSHIP STYLE: You will need to keep your bulletin in hand throughout the worship service. We regard corporate worship as a dialogue between God and His covenant people.

WEEKLY MEETINGS:

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Studying and Discussing, “The Westminster Confession of Faith for Study Classes,” by G. I. Williamson.

WEDNESDAY PRAYER SERVICE: Prayer Service canceled on 12/24 and 12/31.

WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY: Women’s Bible Study will not meet 12/23 and 12/30.

MEN’S FELLOWSHIP AND BIBLE STUDY: Meets every other Saturday from 8:00—9:15 AM (Education Room). Meets next on January 3rd. We’re studying Paul’s letter to the Ephesians.

PRAYER CLUB & BIBLE STUDY : will not meet on 12/24 and 12/31.

SISTERHOOD SATURDAYS: A women’s study and fellowship that meets every other Saturday, 9:00—10:15 a.m. in the Education Room. Currently studying the Ligonier Ministries Biblical Contentment series. Meets next Saturday, December 27th.

COMING EVENTS:

NEW DAY BIBLE STUDY: This twice a month gathering for our young adults will resume on January 11.

MINISTRY TEAM MINUTE: Our Safety Ministry Team works together using their gifts and talents to help keep us safe. The Safety Ministry Team brings today’s Ministry Team Minute.

ARPC’S FELLOWSHIP MEAL: Sunday, 1/4/26, following worship—Healthy Beginnings”. Come join us as we start the new year sharing great fellowship & healthy foods together. Please sign up on EVENTS board across from nursery.

Ministry Coordination Team: Ministry Coordination Team meeting—Wednesday, 1/7/26, 10:00—11:30 a.m.

SANCTUS

“HOLY, HOLY, HOLY”

“Holy, holy, holy, Lord;

God of power, God of might.

Heaven and earth are filled with your glory:

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord:

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest!”

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“Because of the tender mercy of our God, whereby the sunrise shall visit us from on high to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.” ~ Luke 1:78,79

**“Let us Worship God”
The Lord’s Day
Fourth Sunday in Advent
December 21st, 2025
10:30 AM**